

Interpreting and connecting with “Nothing Gold Can Stay” by Robert Frost

Explain what Frost meant by each line he wrote

- 1) Nature’s first green is gold,
- 2) Her hardest hue to hold.
- 3) Her early leaf’s a flower;
- 4) But only so an hour.
- 5) Then leaf subsides to leaf.
- 6) So Eden sank to grief,
- 7) So dawn goes down to day.
- 8) Nothing gold can stay.

1) Do you think the message of this poem could apply to more than nature? What does it say about people and life in general?

2) What are some things in your lives that will eventually change? How do you think you cope with these changes? (**Explain fully...put some thought in to this**).

3) After Reading—Illustrate! What do you think this poem is about? Is it about the world? Sadness and darkness and mistakes we make that have horrible effects? A sunset? Illustrate the poem on this paper, with color. Use your interpretation of the poem to guide your illustration (it should have something to do with your life), and make it neat and nice. (**Don’t just draw a picture of a sunset!!!**)